

Personal Mention

Brother Shaver reports two accessions in his field of labor.

Brother L. A. Hazlett reports one accession at Union Salem.

Brother Reed, Elgin, Calif., reports one accession at Marsh Creek, one of his appointments.

Brother D. C. Moomaw has been enjoying himself attending Annual Meeting and entertaining members of that body.

We note that the church at La Paz has secured the services of Brother Summers as pastor for the coming year.

Brother Isaac Ross reports some very encouraging news. Nine have been added to the churches which he serves as pastor.

Brother Summers keeps busy at work in the field to which he has been called to labor for the Master. Two more accessions.

The work at New Troy, Mich., under the care of Brother Miller is going forward very encouragingly. Two accessions are reported.

From Brother Copp we learn that brother Harry Haun, member of the St. Luke congregation has been elected to the office of clerk of the Circuit Court of Shenandoah County, Va.

Brother Miller reports a very pleasant and profitable time at the Union Sunday-school Convention, held near Roanoke, Ind., last Saturday. He preached for the brethren over Sabbath.

Brother Josiah Keim reports a very pleasant communion service and ten accessions to the church, nine by baptism and one by relation. Brother Copp, of Dayton, assisted in the services.

Recently there have been two accessions, both young men, to the Ashland City church. They were baptized by Brother Miller Sabbath afternoon prior to the communion service, May 21.

Brother Talley has been spending some time in the field doing evangelistic work. He is now at Brooklyn, Ia., preaching for the congregation at that place. He reports three accessions to the church while at Astoria, Ill.

Those interested will please note what Brother Darling has to say to the churches of Pa. "What thou doest do quickly." The conference meets on Tuesday June 6, and unless you write immediately it will be useless to write at all.

One of the numerous trees recently planted on the College campus by the professors and students was christened "Henry Holsinger." May his name remain green in the memory of the Brethren church long after this tree has served its purpose.

Bukeye City church has just closed another season of revival work by Brother Kimmel the pastor, with the most encouraging results. Fifty members have been added to the church at that place within the last year. Things must go where Brother Kimmel works.

A thru train from Chicago over the Burlington line was wrecked at 1:15 Sunday morning, about four miles from Waterloo, Ia. Nine persons were killed and twenty-three wounded. We regret to note among the injured the name of brother S. H. Bashor. We sincerely hope the injury may not prove a serious one.

The California District Conference has adopted a unique plan to reach and help its scattered members. Brother Beer has in hand the execution of the plan, which briefly stated is, first, to secure the names and addresses of all the scattered members in the District; second, to divide these names into classes or circles of ten each, numbering the members in each class from 1 to 10. This done Brother Beer will write a pastoral letter to No. 1 of each circle who may keep a copy but send the original letter and one of his own to No. 2, and so on until No. 10 is

reached. In this work Brother Beer should have the co-operation of every member of the Brethren church in that state. You can be very helpful to him in prosecuting the plan which no doubt will result in much good.

We are in receipt of circulars announcing Normal Musical Institutes conducted by brother J. M. Bowman, Harrisonburg, Va. The Institutes are held principally in the southern states. The circulars also announce a number of choice song books, such as "The Highway to Heaven," "Songs and Hymns of the Sanctuary," "The Singer's Choice," etc., of which Brother Bowman is joint author, and from whom these books can be had. Harrisonburg, Va., has given the church several very sweet singers.

Brief Notes

He that always does his best, will find that God has done the rest.

Believe the purest, holiest, most hopeful, most beautiful things, and you will create them.

Foresight is said to be better than hindsight, but insight is a sight better than all the others.

Let a man strive to see himself as God sees him, and he will see things both greater and smaller than ever before imagined.

It is an irreparable misfortune when a man's self interest so absorbs him that it destroys his sense of equity, honor and fairness, so that it becomes possible that he should be absolutely unconscious and unconvincible that his own position is wrong, and his neighbor's right. One is tempted to think, however, that a little perversity enters into the calculation.

Thirty members of the Yale graduating class in theology are to spend a week or two in the slums of New York, studying the human problem from its tragical side. They have gone to the right place to see the sternest realities of this mystery of life, this mystery of a world wrecked and lost, but the trouble is that they will not stay there and put their broad, athletic shoulders to the lift. What would have become of his mission if Christ, elegantly dressed, should have sampled and sniffed the world for a few days, and then left on a comfortable palace car? The slumming Salvationists are doing the real thing, the Christ work.

A certain judge refused not long since to grant a divorce because the marriage of the parties was brought about thru a matrimonial advertisement in the newspapers. It would not be salutary to make escape from the consequences of folly too easy.

A thief was arrested who made a specialty of petting babies in baby carriages, and meanwhile robbing them. So low can this human nature fall that innocence and helplessness are no safeguards against its depravity. Men and women need to earnestly seek a refuge in God against themselves, against the possibilities of evil which lurk in their own hearts.

An item of news tells how a pet rabbit went mad and bit its owner. It seems that one needs to be on guard against the apparently most harmless of pets, not knowing when it may display the dangerous impulses and convey the deadly poison of hydrophobia. We may have pet habits, darling sins, equally charged with deadly poison to the soul. Have a careful eye to your pets.

The papers state that there has been a notable reduction of the death rate in Havana, Cuba, on account of the thorough cleaning up which the Americans are giving the city. Spiritual health and life are obtained much in the same way,—by cleaning up. Pastors, preachers and earnest Christians may become valuable sanitary agents in the community by cleaning it up, and thereby reducing the spiritual death rate.

Andrew Carnegie proposes to spend the balance of his life, and all of his great fortune of nearly two hundred millions dollars, in charity. It is curious to

note the comments of other very rich men on this announcement of the great iron and steel master. They appear to be unable to believe that he is sincere. For the most part, money getting on a vast scale has so absorbed them that it appears to be the chief end of existence. Mr. Carnegie shows an unusual amount of wisdom for that class, and an unusual degree of moral superiority, which enables him to rise above the enthralling deceitfulness of wealth, and to comprehend the meaning of money in the light of eternity. He doesn't propose to sell his soul for a dirty dollar.

Yale's football center rush, a muscular theological student, has been called to a pulpit in a New York town. If he happens to be an earnest man, he will find that the opposing center rush in this new field of conflict will be a considerably tougher customer than any he ever tackled on the gridiron.

The Catholic clergy of the City of Mexico are preaching sermons against the prevalent suicidal mania down there, and advising as a remedy more devotion to the worship of the Virgin. Blind leaders of the blind, and both falling into the ditch. Why can they not see that Christ only is the remedy for the despair of the world? But only the renewed heart can see Christ, and they are willingly blind because the new heart, the regeneration of the Holy Spirit, means holiness of life, and that they cannot abide.

The National Afro-American Council appoints a day of fasting and prayer for negroes,—“In order that God, the Father of mercies, may take our deplorable case in his own hands, and that if vengeance is to be meted out, let God himself repay.” They do right to put their case in God's hands. Once before they put it there, and he answered them in a fiery whirlwind of war and desolation, breaking the chains of their bondage. Let them put their case in God's hand, but more in the spirit of faith and patience, than of vengeance.

The Methodists in Canada are said to be overflowing with enthusiasm over the twentieth century educational fund which they propose to raise. Please don't forget our hundred thousand dollar fund for Ashland College and the Publishing House.

A Kentucky negro whose house was burned, and who was driven from his farm and home by a mob, has recovered \$50,000 damages in a Federal court against the leaders of the mob. Hurrah for him. This mob business which has assumed such horrible aspects in some parts of the country calls for measures which will effectually put an end to it, and we know of no other remedy, no other argument against it which will accomplish as much as the argument of money damages. Pass a law in each State assessing five thousand dollars against the tax payers of the county for each lynching that occurs within its limits. The average barbarian will listen to that kind of an argument when all others fail.

A negro digs up a treasure in a Cincinnati cellar; and terminates one lawsuit, but starts another, since the finder claims it as a treasure trove. Men continually squabble with each other over the dirty wealth of the world, each claiming and snatching all he can possibly get. How different it is with spiritual wealth, the heavenly treasure. There is enough for all, and even the poorest among us, the most destitute, the most world-forsaken, can be richer than all the Vanderbilts and all the Rothschilds and all the Rockefellers and all the Carnegies. But how often do we see men as eager to obtain this eternal treasure as they are to snatch the dirty dollar?

The Christian Scientists of Westchester, N. Y., are in trouble with the courts, wherein they have been indicted for manslaughter, a victim of their brainless if not criminal folly having died under the hands of some professional healers. Legal restraints, lunatic asylums, and sometimes jails and penitentiaries are necessary for the protection of society, even in a free country, and they are just the kind of argument that is needed where sanity and reason fail to meet the case.